

GOLDEN BEACH ASSOCIATES, INC.  
Minutes from Annual Membership Meeting  
Venice City Hall, Community Room

December 11, 2023

**Officers and Directors in Attendance**

Sandi Knepp, Gene Dillahunty, Steve Oglethorpe, Andy Liscow, Jeanne Johnston  
John Burkhardt, Dee Leatherbury, Bob Mondelli, Kelly Scolaro, Bill Sinibaldi

Absent: Karen Fallon, Peggy Parys, Margot Urmano

**Committee Chairs**

Gigi Bova, Dick Eberhart, Nancy Liscow, Mike Mueller

**Other Members**

George Leatherbury, Henry Pfeifle, Mary Ann Conroy, Gerry Patacca, Frances Clemo, Debi Godbout, Katie Flynn, Cindy Sinn, Russ Sinn, Lee Goolden, Mary Ann Dillahunty, Carole Goolden, Debbie Meinsen, Stephen Meinsen, Karen Garcia, Art Garcia, Deb Salinas, Israel Salinas, Lilly Ferrer, Fernando Ferrer, Louise Cardellina, Debbie Martin, Jay Fuchs, Amy Fuchs, Bebe Teichman

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President, Sandi Knepp at 6:32 p.m.

**November 2023 Secretary's Report**

The Minutes from the November 7, 2023 meeting were emailed prior to the meeting. Motion made to accept the November minutes as written, seconded and approved unanimously.

**November 2023 Treasurer's Report**

Andy Liscow reported the following highlights:

- Ended the month with a cash balance of \$21,318
- 281 - 2024 Membership Dues received through October 31st
- Chili Party cost \$13; \$500 for heaters for January 2022 party
- \$90 for mulch, insect control, grass seed

We pushed out some projects due to the upgraded electrical and the new well being more expensive and making it up to code. We also had the extra expense of replacing sign toppers lost in the storm and ordering two years of clings. At the January Board Meeting we will review the draft 2024 budget. Motion made to accept the November Treasurer's report, seconded, and approved unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

**Social:** Dee Leatherbury reported that the social events are posted on the bulletin board. The following are the 2024 Social Events:

- January 20 - Golden Beach tailgate event (rain date Sunday, January 21)
- February 10 - A catered event at Maxine Barrett Park (no rain date)
- March 9 - Corned beef and cabbage (rain date Sunday, March 10)
- April 13 - Taco night (rain date Sunday, April 14)
- October 19 - Italian fest at Golden Beach gazebo (rain date Sunday, October 20)
- November 16 - TBD (rain date Sunday, November 17)

**Membership Communications:** Gigi Bova reported that both Lueanne Wood's and Bebe Teichman's checks and ads came in for the Directory. The Directory will be distributed and parking clings/guest passes will be mailed in early January.

**Beach Access:** John Calder and John Burkhardt planted new grass on the south side. Will repeat for north side, if successful. New projects include getting a quote and possibly planting a new tree, finishing the grass, and considering having no grass (maybe seashell?) east of the gazebo. Steve Oglethorpe recognized Peter Virgilio for all of his work and willingness to help at the beach access.

**Newsletter:** Steve Oglethorpe will be emailing a draft of the Newsletter to the Board members tomorrow.

**Website:** Sandi Knepp is planning to make changes next year to make the website more informative and self-service oriented.

**History:** Dick Eberhart keeps our records to the City up-to-date. He is still collecting information.

**Street Captains:** Nancy Liscow reported that the Street Captains have been helping with getting updated membership information to assist with the database.

**Community Affairs:** Gene Dillahunty is acting as a community leader on an airport noise abatement effort and provided a report to the board on recent activities. Ron Smith, a new member on the City Council, is working with the airport. Ron would like to add a new staff position - Noise Abatement Expert, to be consistent with other airports in the area having this kind of position. Gene has asked for community engagement including residents outside Golden Beach community.

Sandi will make contact with the Flamingo Ditch community committee to see if any progress is being made, see if outreach to other residents outside Golden Beach community affected by the flooding has been successful.

Volunteerism: There is a lot of behind the scene volunteerism. Karen Calder will be leading the volunteer effort in either helping with each other or with GBAI helping the community.

Election Committee: Mike Mueller reported the election results for 2024 Office and Director positions with 74 ballots turned in:

Mike Muhlbauer 57, Karen Calder 53, Julia Palucci 48, John Spada, 46, Chris Derbak 45, George Leatherbury 44.

Motion made to accept the election results as presented, seconded and passed unanimously.

Mike also reported that the name badges and license plates are in. Please see Mike if you have ordered these.

### **New Business**

The annual GBAI tree decorating in Blalock Park will now be chaired by Rina Caldwell. She will be looking for volunteers to undecorate the tree which needs to take place between January 1 - January 8. Rina Caldwell is taking over coordination for 2024.

The rope on the buoy at the beach access is deteriorating. Do we need to build a roof over it to protect it? Investigating a more durable marine rope to use.

### **Old Business**

Beach Access Security - The gate lock has been tampered with and damaged. Katie Flynn asked about security cameras now that we have electricity. We will discuss after reviewing our current finances. A question was raised on possible collection of donations and how that could be facilitated. The website is not set up to accept payments at this time. Could we accept donations for specific items? It would be better to receive money under "general donation" instead. The Board needs to review.

### **Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and approved. President Sandi Knepp adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Johnston, Secretary